

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

NIT-177-02

In re Accompanying Continuation Application Under
37 CFR 1.53(b):

Prior Application: T. TOMARU et al
Serial No. 09/503,739
Filed: February 15, 2000

Group Art Unit: 2877
Examiner: Delma R. Flores Ruiz
For: SOLID-STATE LASER COMPENSATED FOR
PUMPING-LIGHT ASTIGMATISM

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)
UNDER § 1.97 AND § 1.98

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

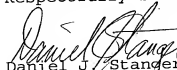
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure, the Applicants
inform the Examiner of the documents cited during prosecution
of the parent application, USSN 09/503,739.

The Applicants request the Examiner to initial and return
a copy of the attached PTO-1449 form as an indication that the
references have been considered.

Respectfully submitted,


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